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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 03/04-16

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2003/04 ALLOCATION FOR THE  
ADMINISTRATION OF THE FOSTER CARE (FC) PROGRAM

The purpose of this letter is to provide County Welfare Departments (CWDs) with their final allocation for the administrative costs for the FC program. Due to low revenues and other demands on the available State General Fund (SGF), the FC Administrative Basic allocation is being held to the FY 2002/03 amount.

In addition to the basic allocation, this allocation includes Staff Development, Adoptions Assistance, caseload growth and the savings associated with the Kin-Gap program, as shown on Attachment I. Attachment II provides the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) allocation for the Emergency Assistance portion of FC.

Attachment III provides a brief description of all these premises and how they were allocated and attachment IV is a listing of applicable program codes for the FC program. The administrative expenditures charged against this program are tracked through the County Expense Claim (CEC).

Transferability of funds between FC and Non-Assistance Food Stamps (NAFS) will continue to be allowed for the following counties: Alpine, Amador, Colusa, Glenn, Inyo, Lassen, Mariposa, Modoc, Mono, Plumas, Sierra and Trinity. It is anticipated that any surplus funds, within this small county group, will be redistributed at closeout among those counties that overspent their allocations.

If you have any questions concerning this allocation, please contact the County Financial Analysis Bureau at (916) 657-3806.

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Financial Planning Branch

Attachments  
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**FY 2003/04  
FOSTER CARE ALLOCATION  
STATE FUNDS**

**ATTACHMENT I**

County	Foster Care Administrative Basic	AAP	FC Staff Development	FC Caseload Growth	Kin-GAP Savings	FC STATE FUNDS ALLOCATION
Alameda	\$1,741,184	\$106,371	\$6,893	\$46,494	(\$18,398)	\$1,882,544
Alpine	\$7,220	\$450	\$0	\$54	\$0	\$7,724
Amador	\$10,929	\$1,122	\$96	\$355	(\$468)	\$12,034
Butte	\$150,182	\$41,533	\$1,477	\$9,017	(\$5,118)	\$197,091
Calaveras	\$14,781	\$2,240	\$361	\$1,623	(\$581)	\$18,424
Colusa	\$10,083	\$1,194	\$167	\$376	\$0	\$11,820
Contra Costa	\$751,548	\$97,406	\$8,039	\$21,688	(\$8,832)	\$869,849
Del Norte	\$20,856	\$5,754	\$1,698	\$1,687	(\$859)	\$29,136
El Dorado	\$86,492	\$12,550	\$746	\$2,386	(\$417)	\$101,757
Fresno	\$769,743	\$89,340	\$3,512	\$35,370	(\$13,546)	\$884,419
Glenn	\$22,962	\$4,854	\$589	\$656	(\$139)	\$28,922
Humboldt	\$75,785	\$22,111	\$292	\$3,471	(\$518)	\$101,141
Imperial	\$74,879	\$6,872	\$224	\$3,891	\$0	\$85,866
Inyo	\$27,771	\$298	\$1,583	\$398	(\$177)	\$29,873
Kern	\$458,983	\$107,115	\$1,649	\$30,501	(\$13,204)	\$585,044
Kings	\$41,050	\$15,240	\$167	\$3,901	(\$2,312)	\$58,046
Lake	\$24,237	\$6,350	\$265	\$2,622	(\$1,011)	\$32,463
Lassen	\$16,952	\$2,913	\$946	\$1,322	(\$215)	\$21,918
Los Angeles	\$12,353,890	\$1,358,490	\$33,905	\$385,211	(\$608,037)	\$13,523,459
Madera	\$27,853	\$8,065	\$310	\$2,461	(\$1,150)	\$37,539
Marin	\$85,351	\$14,790	\$353	\$1,784	\$0	\$102,278
Mariposa	\$7,613	\$1,345	\$320	\$505	\$0	\$9,783
Mendocino	\$96,980	\$15,240	\$309	\$4,568	(\$1,453)	\$115,644
Merced	\$114,568	\$25,474	\$330	\$6,148	(\$986)	\$145,534
Modoc	\$4,868	\$672	\$126	\$473	\$0	\$6,139
Mono	\$10,335	\$151	\$0	\$129	\$0	\$10,615
Monterey	\$260,587	\$36,527	\$1,019	\$4,546	(\$619)	\$302,060
Napa	\$78,763	\$6,350	\$697	\$1,709	(\$783)	\$86,736
Nevada	\$28,462	\$9,637	\$1,623	\$1,558	(\$303)	\$40,977
Orange	\$1,047,012	\$231,041	\$4,143	\$31,791	(\$22,189)	\$1,291,798
Placer	\$156,637	\$17,106	\$1,774	\$3,934	(\$1,807)	\$177,644
Plumas	\$18,974	\$1,568	\$498	\$817	(\$379)	\$21,478
Riverside	\$1,607,683	\$166,951	\$11,380	\$41,861	(\$50,392)	\$1,777,483
Sacramento	\$1,973,929	\$260,621	\$6,770	\$57,338	(\$31,931)	\$2,266,727
San Benito	\$15,341	\$1,795	\$831	\$613	\$0	\$18,580
San Bernardino	\$1,459,163	\$149,320	\$6,289	\$56,145	(\$29,833)	\$1,641,084
San Diego	\$1,461,761	\$399,635	\$6,438	\$59,713	(\$32,247)	\$1,895,300
San Francisco	\$1,313,014	\$90,236	\$3,063	\$28,062	(\$9,919)	\$1,424,456
San Joaquin	\$190,873	\$113,839	\$592	\$15,767	(\$2,868)	\$318,203
San Luis Obispo	\$160,269	\$27,264	\$3,107	\$4,568	(\$1,921)	\$193,287
San Mateo	\$512,438	\$20,989	\$13,170	\$4,750	(\$859)	\$550,488
Santa Barbara	\$238,789	\$21,737	\$693	\$3,428	(\$1,643)	\$263,004
Santa Clara	\$1,202,742	\$113,764	\$3,474	\$24,902	(\$12,813)	\$1,332,069
Santa Cruz	\$224,483	\$30,551	\$750	\$3,213	(\$76)	\$258,921
Shasta	\$62,618	\$33,165	\$421	\$6,277	(\$1,718)	\$100,763
Sierra	\$9,784	\$151	\$163	\$150	\$0	\$10,248
Siskiyou	\$29,418	\$5,825	\$512	\$2,182	(\$329)	\$37,608
Solano	\$240,578	\$17,778	\$600	\$6,599	(\$227)	\$265,328
Sonoma	\$118,271	\$27,041	\$743	\$5,718	(\$1,226)	\$150,547
Stanislaus	\$207,310	\$56,323	\$958	\$7,942	(\$3,311)	\$269,222
Sutter	\$20,417	\$14,042	\$211	\$2,515	(\$215)	\$36,970
Tehama	\$38,383	\$7,023	\$446	\$2,268	(\$303)	\$47,817
Trinity	\$5,621	\$1,046	\$1,354	\$688	\$0	\$8,709
Tulare	\$300,192	\$70,814	\$1,155	\$13,714	(\$19,244)	\$366,631
Tuolumne	\$32,241	\$4,480	\$381	\$1,225	\$0	\$38,327
Ventura	\$365,417	\$39,965	\$1,897	\$8,834	(\$2,350)	\$413,763
Yolo	\$117,526	\$29,655	\$1,846	\$4,836	(\$783)	\$153,080
Yuba	\$51,209	\$24,821	\$645	\$3,246	(\$291)	\$79,630
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$30,557,000</b>	<b>\$3,979,000</b>	<b>\$142,000</b>	<b>\$978,000</b>	<b>(\$908,000)</b>	<b>\$34,748,000</b>

**FY 2003/04  
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE  
FOSTER CARE ALLOCATION  
TANF**

County	EA - FC TANF
Alameda	\$349,850
Alpine	\$0
Amador	\$781
Butte	\$0
Calaveras	\$6,059
Colusa	\$0
Contra Costa	\$149,266
Del Norte	\$26,042
El Dorado	\$764
Fresno	\$127,719
Glenn	\$736
Humboldt	\$12,923
Imperial	\$0
Inyo	\$12,306
Kern	\$37,554
Kings	\$4,071
Lake	\$2,922
Lassen	\$0
Los Angeles	\$2,187,923
Madera	\$1,668
Marin	\$3,952
Mariposa	\$0
Mendocino	\$76,890
Merced	\$3,512
Modoc	\$0
Mono	\$0
Monterey	\$5,305
Napa	\$634
Nevada	\$1,256
Orange	\$367,606
Placer	\$69,593
Plumas	\$0
Riverside	\$325,167
Sacramento	\$17,174
San Benito	\$1,420
San Bernardino	\$272,276
San Diego	\$128,409
San Francisco	\$220,286
San Joaquin	\$35,358
San Luis Obispo	\$0
San Mateo	\$50,142
Santa Barbara	\$28,904
Santa Clara	\$312,978
Santa Cruz	\$71,542
Shasta	\$12,497
Sierra	\$0
Siskiyou	\$1,454
Solano	\$43,409
Sonoma	\$51,402
Stanislaus	\$8,900
Sutter	\$5,302
Tehama	\$3,204
Trinity	\$0
Tulare	\$43,652
Tuolumne	\$7,871
Ventura	\$8,057
Yolo	\$53,617
Yuba	\$19,647
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,172,000</b>

### FY 2003/04 FOSTER CARE ALLOCATED PREMISES

The following provides a brief description of each premise amount contained in your Foster Care Allocation

<b>PREMISE NAME</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>COST</b>	<b>SAVINGS</b>
FC Administrative Basic	This premise reflects the administrative costs for the FC Program. Due to the shortfall in the State Budget, your administrative basic cost is funded at the same level as FY 02/03.	X	
Adoptions Assistance Program (AAP)	AAP funds were allocated using data from the most recent 6 months (07/02-12/02), provided by the Adoptions Initiative Bureau.	X	
FC Staff Development	This premise reflects the funding for Staff Development. The allocation was calculated by multiplying each county's average percent to total of the 4 most recent quarters (06/02-03/03) Foster Care Expenditures and FY 02/03 average FC Full-time Equivalents (FTEs) eligibility workers. An adjustment was made to the allocation to fund the State share of costs for staff training among the 41 counties of the Inter-County Policy and Planning Committee which contracts with the University of California, Davis.	X	
Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment (Kin-GAP) Program Savings	The premise represents an estimated savings of State General Funds in Foster Care due to those cases being diverted from placement and/or services. The distribution was based on a percent to total of each county's actual Kin-GAP caseload for July 2002 through December 2002.		X
Emergency Assistance Foster Care (EA/FC)	This premise provides funds to counties for the Emergency Assistance portion of Foster Care. Individual county allocations were calculated by multiplying the percent to total ratio of Federal expenditures for the 4 most recent quarters (06/02-03/03) to the statewide total available funding. Expenditures exceeding the TANF allocations will be shifted to county share.	X	
Caseload Growth	This premise reflects project caseload growth in the Foster Care Program. The distribution was based on the percent to total ratio of a counties average monthly caseload for the most recent 12 months (March 02-Feb 03) from the FC 237.	X	

The state share of administration costs reported on the County Expense Claim (CEC) will be charged to the allocation as follows:

**FOSTER CARE (FC) DFA 327.4 & 327.5**

230 – Adoptions Assistance IV-E  
345 – AFDC Foster Care Eligibility  
613 – AFDC Foster Care Eligibility – Voluntary Program  
300 – STEP Eligibility Determination

FC State Use Only Code

612 – Foster Care (including AAP) Overmatch

**EA FC DFA 327.4 & 327.5**

223 – EA FC Eligibility

EA FC State Use Only Code

199 – EA Foster Care Overmatch